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A BOY AND HIS DOG—The little boy and the big dog seem to be in agreement about one important thing—that Canada Savings Bonds are a good idea.

Sale of the 1951 issue is now on throughout the Dominion.

CIVIL DEFENCE CO-ORDINATOR CONFERS WITH TOWN COUNCIL

CROSSFIELD — Wm. J. Bagnall as Civil Defence Co-ordinator for the Mountain View M.D. No. 49, presided at a meeting held in Didsbury on Wednesday to confer with the councils of the towns of Didsbury and Olds, and the villages of Carstairs and Crossfield. The appointment of Mr. Bagnall as co-ordinator for the whole area, including the urban centres was approved.

A control committee comprising Mr. Bagnall, Reeve W. H. Metz of the Municipal District, Mayor E. G. Miller, Olds, Mayor H. Lynch, Staunton, Didsbury, Mayor R. L. Mills, Carstairs and Mayor W. A. Hurt, Crossfield. Co-ordinators nominated were C. A. Gogan, Olds, W. H. Payne, Didsbury, Oliver Goodfellow, Carstairs and Harry May, Crossfield. Mrs. P. Lynch-Staunton and Messrs. Gogan and May, each of whom had graduated as instructors from the provincial school for civil defence will address meetings to be called in every urban centre, including the hamlets within the boundaries of the municipality.

Fire and police groups are now being organized and classes for training under St. John Ambulance for first aid are also being organized. This meeting went a long way toward letting the public

know what is expected of them. There is no secret to protect in civil defence. Its unofficial motto is "To save life." The whole idea of civil defence is to help the public to help themselves and to make the best use of their own special ability and skill in an emergency.

Wedding Dance Well Attended

MADDEN—The wedding dance on Wednesday, Nov. 29, honoring Madden new-weds, Mr. and Mrs. Dick Havens was certainly well patronized as there was a tremendous crowd, from the local district and from Crossfield, Dog Pound, Cremona, Cochrane, Airdrie, Carstairs. The happy couple of a few hours, were presented with a silver purse, to which the groom rendered suitable thanks. The Krebbs orchestra from Didsbury was in attendance and all had a wonderful time.

The friends and parents of Clara Havens, nee Hale, were on hand for the wedding dance, motoring up from Brooks for the occasion.

Ronn to Mr. and Mrs. Vander Veen in the Grace Maternity Hospital, Calgary, a son, Mr. and Mrs. Vander Veen are situated on the Leonard Beddoes' farm, Madden.

Public Urged To Attend Civil Defence Meeting

MADDEN — The public is urged to attend a most important meeting on Civil Defence, Wed., Dec. 5th, in Madden, when Mr. Wm. J. Bagnall, Co-ordinator, General and Mrs. F. Lynch Staunton will give addresses. Dog Pound Rotrel, Cremona and Madden will participate in this meeting. It is hoped a St. John's Ambulance course will be started in the near future. Of what use is a good community if it is not known how to protect it, should the occasion demand?

Wedding Dance Hilarious Occasion

CROSSFIELD — Mr. and Mrs. Winfred Bailey entertained their many friends at a well attended wedding dance on Wed., Nov. 21.

The music was supplied by the Melody 5 orchestra and was really enjoyed. Several square dances rocked the hall and were done by an expert "caller" from Calgary. Refreshments were served by friends and relatives at midnight.

The happy couple were presented with a silver purse and best wishes voiced by Keith Bannister.

First Aid Course To Take Place Shortly

CROSSFIELD — It would be appreciated if those people wishing to take a course in First Aid under the auspices of St. John Ambulance, would kindly leave their names at the village office. It is expected that in a short while an instructor will be available for this.

ly encouraged by returns so far, but have a long way to go yet. Mass surveys with the Christmas Seal mobile chest X Ray units, rehabilitation and health education, as well as our nursing and welfare services, need to be carried on just as vigorously as ever if we are to maintain the gains we have made against TB."

Mr. Dickey pointed out that Christmas Seal contributions are income tax deductible, and that receipts will be sent on request.

Christmas Seal Sales Up Over Last Year

Christmas Seal receipts for Calgary and district for the first week of the 1951 campaign total \$4,000, according to C. T. Webb, chairman of the Calgary Kinsmen Club Christmas Seal committee. The amount is slightly higher than last year's figure for the same date, and leaves \$40,920 still to be collected to reach the objective of \$45,000 for Calgary and district.

Provincial receipts reported by C. Robert Dickey, general secretary of the Alberta Tuberculosis Association, now amount to \$18,500 toward an objective of \$185,000.

Mr. Dickey said, "We are great-

CROSSFIELD AND DISTRICT NEWS

CROSSFIELD — The end of the bazaar sessions are at hand. Anglican friends would like to remind all patrons of their Annual Bazaar, tea and Sale of Home Cooking and the lucky draw to be made at 4:30 p.m., Dec. 1st in the Masonic Hall. A hearty welcome to all.

Don't forget the Airdrie friends who extend a warm welcome to attend their annual pot luck supper and bazaar at 6 p.m. on Friday, Dec. 7.

The Explorers have taken on a new venture and will be happy to take orders for Christmas trees, so any one interested please remember this enterprising little group and phone Buster Bills or Wayne Haywood, leader.

Mr. and Mrs. Chas. Fox entertained at dinner on Wed. last when they received the families of their new daughter-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. Averill, Leslieville and

Mr. and Mrs. Howard Starn of Odessa, Washington.

Mr. and Mrs. Foreman, nee Hazel Ruddy, attended the Averill and Fox wedding and left early Friday a.m. for Fort St. John.

Friends of Mr. Knight, father of Mrs. Dewey Casey, will be grieved to learn that he has suffered the amputation of a leg, in Jubilee Hospital at Victoria, B.C., but according to a letter received by Mrs. Casey, he is making remarkable recovery.

Hank McDonald is on the sick list again. It is hoped is won't be for long this time.

Alex Gordon has been under the doctor's care for a while.

Card of Thanks

I wish to thank each and everyone for all the wonderful shower gifts and wedding gifts and an extra thank you to those responsible for my shower.

Joyce Robertson.

Xmas Seal Sales Up Over Last Year

Christmas Seal receipts for Drumheller and district for the first week of the 1951 campaign total \$900, according to J. F. Watkin, chairman of the Drumheller Kinsmen Club Christmas Seal committee. The amount is slightly higher than last year's figure for the same date, and leaves \$8,100 still to be collected to reach the objective of \$9,000 for Drumheller and district.

Provincial receipts reported by C. Robert Dickey, general secretary of the Alberta Tuberculosis Association, now amount to \$18,500 toward an objective of \$185,000.

Mr. Dickey said, "We are greatly encouraged by returns so far, but we have a long way to go yet. Mass surveys with the Christmas Seal mobile chest X-ray units, hospital X-ray installations, rehabilitation and health education, as well as our nursing and welfare services, need to be carried on just as vigorously as ever if we are to maintain the gains we have made against TB."

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18-Year-Old Dies From Injuries

MICHICHI—Glenn Presheo, 18-year old Edmonton construction worker, died shortly before 6 p.m. Friday of last week in the Drumheller hospital, from injuries received earlier in the afternoon on a construction project north of town.

Presheo was working for Northwest Construction Co. of Edmonton on the Michichi Creek drainage when a 40-ton dragline tractor ran over the lower part of his body. He was rushed to hospital by Winter's Ambulance but died three and a half hours after admission.

Drumheller Man Is Judge At Chicago

Canadian stockmen were well represented in the competitions of the 1951 International Livestock Exposition, which opened Nov. 24 at the Chicago stock yards for an eight-day run through Dec. 1. Six Canadians from Alberta and Ontario have been appointed as judges at the Chicago show.

Judges from Alberta are Charles Yule, Calgary, Judging Aberdeen-Angus class; and Phillip Rock, Drumheller, placing Suffolk sheep.

District Couple In Nova Scotia Crash

WINDSOR, N.S. — Mr. and Mrs. Cecil Brugh of Airdrie, Alta., escaped serious injury when their car was involved in a collision near this town on the edge of the Annapolis Valley Monday. Their car was damaged badly.

Howard Roppel Wins Chicago Grain Award

Rockyford's grain champion, Howard Roppel, has won greater honors for himself and his district, this time at the International Grain Show in Chicago. He won second prize, second only to Red Deer's Wheat King, S. J. Alsup.

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"Jove!" exclaimed the earnest man. "That's early, isn't it?"

"No," said the other. "You see, my window faces west."

No Place For a Lady

It was the first variety performance an elderly woman had ever seen, and she was particularly excited over the feats of the illusionist. But when he covered a newspaper with a heavy flannel cloth and read the print through it she grew a little nervous. He then doubled the cloth and again read the letters accurately.

This was more than she could stand and, rising in her seat, she said: "I'm goin' home. This ain't no place for a lady in a thin calico dress!"

Page Mr. Brannan!

An elderly lady, after long trips through impressive hallways and an hour of waiting, was permitted to see a high up assistant in the Agriculture Department.

"But I want to see the Secretary of Agriculture himself," she protested.

"He's not in just now, madam," said the official. "Can't you tell me what it is you want to see him about?"

"Well, I have a geranium that isn't doing so well."

More Time

Harrison met Johnson after several years. "And is your wife as lovely as ever?" he asked him.

"Oh, yes," replied Johnson, "but now it takes half an hour longer!"

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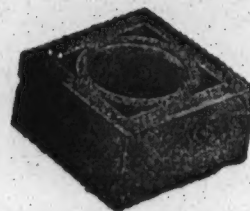
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Letter to Louisa

Dear Louisa—I am married to a man who has built a home on his first wife's property. Of course it belongs to her children, as it should, but he has property and money to build us a home. His children are grown up.

Our plans were to live in this house one year, but he says he may not build one at all. I am not happy here, and he is well aware of that. In fact, I can't stand it.

A separation would be bad for the children on both sides. I have grown children who are all on their own.

We could be very happy if things were different. I feel out of place here. Maybe you can help me.

VERY DISSATISFIED.

Answer: You did not say whether your

step-children are married or single, but I suppose you feel that you are not really mistress of your home and this makes you unhappy. I think you should either be mistress of your husband's home, or if he feels that it belongs to his children even before his death, he should move to another home that you can run.

No woman likes to play second fiddle in her home and a man should have that matter settled before he marries a second time.

LOUISA.

Dear Louisa—We are a couple of very unhappy girls. We, without realizing it, stood up a couple of fellows that we like a lot.

We accepted a second date after we thought they had gone. Unfortunately, they saw us and now they won't speak to us. But they are always passing us and ignoring us.

We would like your advice as to how we can get them to talk to us so we can explain the situation.

Please help us.

DOUBLE-TROUBLED.

Answer: I think your best plan is to write them a letter and start it off by asking them to read it through. Then tell them that you would not have stood them up, knowingly, but that you had reason to think they had gone. Then ask them to give you an opportunity to explain to them the circumstances.

If a letter doesn't do the trick, I don't know any better method.

LOUISA.

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JUMBO, who promises to grow plenty, is being given a sight-seeing trip around the M-G-M studio by Red Skelton and Macdonald Carey. Red Skelton's latest picture is "Excuse My Dust."

7th Day Adventists Hold Council Meet In Cleveland, Ohio

During the 10-day session, the Adventist churchmen heard leaders of the denomination's 10 overseas divisions report that "prospects were never brighter for Christian mission in most areas of the world."

Pastor Wilhelm Mueller, Adventist church leader from Berlin reported a 75 per cent membership increase in Germany since the war and the rebuilding of 253 of the 450 church buildings destroyed by bombs.

In response to appeals for more workers and enlarged facilities, the council voted the largest foreign missions budget in the history of the church. The \$17 million total for overseas and special projects at home does not include local church funds.

Adventists have established

nearly 800 schools since 1948 making a total of 4,438 colleges, academies and elementary schools around the world, E. J. Johanson, statistical secretary, announced. During the same period 13 new hospitals were opened.

The council voted a resolution of strong protest against the appointment of a U.S. ambassador to the Vatican "as a violation of the principle of separation of church and state."

In the years since Denmark launched the first Christmas Seal Sale in 1904, over two score countries have used this method of raising money to fight tuberculosis. Some of the countries were forced to stop their Christmas Seal Sales during World War II and have not been able to start them again. There are now about 30 countries, spread over all the continents, which use the Christmas Seal Sale to raise funds for TB prevention.



DEBORAH KERR gets a trio of 'friendly enemies' together without any dire results, including her Siamese cat, her white Sealham, and her Scottie. Deborah, after filming of "Quo Vadis" in Rome, is now home in California, awaiting arrival of another pet, known as The Stork.

Three Hills Presbytery Holds Rally

The semi-annual rally of the Three Hills Presbytery of United Church was held at Acme on Nov. 13. Registration began at 11:30 followed by a delicious hot luncheon at noon in the church hall.

The tables were decked with lovely china and adorned with candles and air-plants. To suit the occasion, the beverages were served from silver tea service.

The afternoon sessions was opened at 1:30 by the president, Mrs. Christie, of Three Hills.

The worship service was presented by the Three Hills group. Mrs. Upton rendered a solo, "As the Days Are Going By." Mrs. Rollis gave the welcoming speech.

The guest speaker was Mrs. Thorne, Red Deer, the representative of the 14 Alberta Presbyteries. She gave an interesting talk on the work of the church and our duty towards it. Mrs. W. Redieck then sang a hymn.

Mrs. Harpoff was nominated as Presbytery secretary.

The spring rally will be held at Three Hills sometime in March, the date to be announced later.

Mrs. Upton gave a talk on congregational singing and then led the adieu in two hymns.

The Rev. Mr. Hughson closed the meeting with a benediction.

Telephone Growth Outlined To Gyro Club

Ralph Losie, superintendent of the general plant of Alberta Government Telephones, told members of the Edmonton Gyro Club at a luncheon recently that telephone installations have increased to a rate of 10,000 a year, since the war when the two companies were almost swamped with orders.

The sudden increase has been supported by the oil boom, he added.

Mr. Losie stated that as an example of the growth of the system, the line between Edmonton and Calgary has been increased from eight wires to 39, to carry the additional load.

He pointed out that there has not been an increase in rates since 1926, but the future expenditures of A.G.T. might forecast a rise in the near future.

Population Gains In Alberta

Alberta boasts a population increase of 140,000 in the past 10 years, according to a report from the dominion bureau of statistics this week.

Manitoba increased her population by 42,071 to 771,816, but Saskatchewan was trailing behind with a drop of 66,817 over the 10 year period.

Alberta is fast approaching the million mark with an estimated population of 926,556, as compared to 796,169 in 1941.

While population changes will effect the number of federal seats in some other provinces, Alberta's representation will remain unchanged with 17.

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ELIZABETH TAYLOR was initiated into some very important "know-how" by Joan Bennett for her role in M-G-M's "Father's Little Dividend," sequel to "Father of the Bride."

Local Man Boards North Star

Crossfielders were delighted with a large picture of three members of the newly formed No. 1 RCAF Fighting Wing, North Lethbridge, Eng.

The three members were shown boarding RCAF "North Star" at Dorval airport when the first contingent of wing personnel departed for U.K.

Among them was Leading Aircraftman John Goettler of Crossfield. His parents Mr. and Mrs. Jack Goettler live five miles west of Crossfield.

F.W.U.A. Holds Meeting

CROSSFIELD—The 14th regular F.W.U.A. meeting was held at the home of Mrs. Gordon Poynter with 21 members present. Mrs. Jack Koushuh was appointed as delegate to the annual convention held in the Palliser hotel Calgary, Dec. 10-14. Next meeting will be held Tuesday, Dec. 4.

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New Canadian Flag

More and more, our country is taking its place as an equal among other nations of the world. An integral part of the British Commonwealth of nations, it is nonetheless wholly independent of the mother country.

People in the United States who know their U.S. history of the Revolutionary war of 1776 often have queer ideas about Canada's relationship to Great Britain. "We won our independence, why don't you?" is the attitude of some Americans. Part of this misconception is due to our continued use of the British flag as our flag and terms such as "Dominion of Canada" when referring to the country of Canada.

Parliament is abolishing the term Dominion. How about a distinctive Canadian flag?

Cut Living Cost

Canadians could greatly reduce the cost of living by revising their eating habits. It isn't necessary, for instance, to eat pure white bread, but it costs more and hasn't the same high food value.

This is one of the reasons why bread costs more in Canada than it does in Great Britain. Another reason is that Britain subsidizes bread from heavy British taxes. But the fact remains that British bread is made from 84 per cent extraction flour, while Canadians want a white bread from 62 per cent extraction.

The Dangerous Tractor

The Alberta Wheat Pool's clipping file shows that at least 18 farm people have lost their lives in tractor accidents in Alberta so far this year. Many others received disabling and painful injuries.

The latest fatal accident occurred in the Remo district near Peace River when Sidney Yaskovich was killed. His tractor toppled as it went off the edge of the road and Mr. Yaskovich was crushed beneath.

Farm people should never forget that the farm tractor is a dangerous implement. They should take particular care when operating it on a road. The tractor has a high centre of gravity and tips much more easily than an automobile.

The Arms Race

Just at present the peace of the world is being threatened as it never has been troubled before. In Iran and Egypt clouds are gathering on the horizon in deepening darkness. In Korea the massed guns are blazing in anger, even while armistice talks are being renewed. In the United States and Russia, the arms race is gaining tempo with blasts of atomic bombs and new weapons of destruction thundering out of great clouds of terrifying magnitude.

The cruel race seems on, with the end known to be immeasurable death and destruction for the nations, unless a halt is called to man's murderous designs. Reports of new atomic trial blasts follow one another from Russia and the United States, alternating their frightful threats to a peace loving world in terms of the final result.

Always before the great wars that have wrought their devastation and massed death, these arms races have taken place and never before has the race ended without bloodshed and horror for millions of mankind. It is likely that nations forging their weapons of death can stop in time to avert the final triumph of evil and injustice?

The Canadian people are looking to their government with anxious eyes to put a stop to the evil designs of warmongers and bring peace to the world. The Christian church must join hands with all lovers of peace in every land and storm the heavens in prayer that God will hasten His day of universal peace before it is too late.

The Bible Today:

There is one glory of the sun, and another glory of the moon, for one star differs from another star in glory.—1. Corinthians XV:61.

The Big Eye

By JACK SCOTT

Earlier this week I had a good look at what television is doing to the south. It put an awful wilt in my enthusiasm. Fact is, this new miracle is going to make some fundamental changes in the ordinary guy's way of living.

I went into one of the many cocktail bars that advertise television, isolated myself on the last available red leather stool, ordered a Pabst and focused on the screen. The set was down at one end of the bar, well above the eye level. All the customers had their heads cocked, giving them something of the appearance of robins listening for worms.

Curiously enough, the faces of my fellow listeners were utterly without expression. Later, when I mentioned this to the bartender, he said they had a name for it. They call it "the Video Stare."

"It ain't like a movie," this observer told me. "Even on the comedy shows you hardly ever see anybody laughing. They just look at it with that stare like it was hypnotizing them or something. In a movie, see, you're concentratin' on the screen. But here with people movin' around and waiters and bartenders mixin' drinks nobody pays much attention to the television. They look at it, but don't see it. Know what I mean?"

From what I saw in this and a couple of other bistros I'd say the bartender was right. Television in these places plays much the same role as the juke box. The music from the juke box is absorbed by the bar almost unconsciously. The flickering screen acts the same way on the eye. The net effect of both is to make the tavern a less pleasant retreat and to murder any real conversation.

In the homes, however, it is different. I arrived at one friend's home just after the channel had closed down and assisted in the ceremony of pushing the chesterfield back into place. There were four guests, neighbors, and they left within the next 10 minutes.

"There you see a perfect example of the Video Stare," my friend said when the neighbors had left. "Got so we never spend a quiet evening alone any more. We have the only set in the block and they're beating a path to our door. All we need is a box office outside and we'd be just like a movie. This thing is making me anti-social."

I suggested this might be merely because television has the attraction of being new and that the visitors would either buy sets of their own or weary of the novelty.

"I heard so at first," my host said, "but it isn't working out that way. A lot of people keep putting off buying a set because they're pretty sure there'll be some big improvements in the near future and also that the price may come down. And as for them getting bored with it—just the opposite. As a habit this thing is worse than marijuana. And, of course it's free."

I had business to do with some newspaper executives, each of whom has a set. I asked them what effect television has had in their homes.

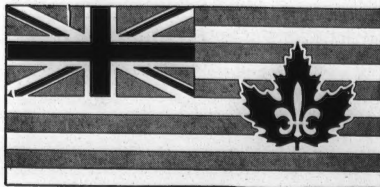
"Murder," one said. "It's first bad effect is education. Our kids are nuts about television as they never were about radio. They keep glued to that bright square and most of the stuff they see is just junk. A year ago we thought our eldest boy, Bill, was going to be a reader. He was getting interested in books and ideas that were advanced for his age and I was happy about it. Video is keeping him away from that."

"But that's as true of adults as it is with kids," another put in. "The thing has a fascination about it. It keeps you from other interests. People have learned to be selective about ordinary radio. With television they'll look at anything that moves. And so far, at any rate, video has all the cultural aspect of a burlesque theatre."

Note and Comment

Efforts are being made in Saudi Arabia to extend the facilities of ancient irrigation systems by the use of modern irrigation techniques. However, water rights in this country are as intricate as the tunnels themselves which often cross one another at various levels and much of the government's trouble is to avoid infringing complex traditional customs.

The new move is, however, important because agriculture in Saudi Arabia depends entirely on irrigation, and though the areas under cultivation are widely separated by desert, they can be extended by a more efficient distribution of water. Rain in the autumn and early winter, which are not allowed to escape into the salt mudflats on the coastal plain, will be controlled by dams.



Combining the British Union Jack with the French fleur des fis, the above is suggestion of the Lions Club of Canada for solution of Canada's controversial flag question.

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Edmonton.

DRIVER EDUCATION

Dear Sir—Some months ago you were kind enough to publish details of General Motors' Driver Education Program.

After seven months, including the two vacation months, we are happy to report that it is in use in 145 schools from the Pacific to the Atlantic.

The Department of Education in each Province has a film kit in its library for the use of High Schools in out-lying areas. The RCMP plan to take the kit into use in their training depots and in their youth work.

The police departments in some areas are using the films in their own driver training program.

To date the program has been most successful in bringing to the attention of education authorities the possibility of making a contribution to the solution of the traffic problem through the education of young drivers. The role to be played by audio visual aids in making this education effective is, of course, generally recog-

nized. The General Motors Driver Education kit has been accepted as an outstanding set of visual aids.

E. J. UMPHREY.

Oshawa, Ont.

THANKS FROM RED CROSS

Dear Sir—May we take this opportunity of thanking you, most sincerely, for your generosity in promoting the Red Cross' September appeal for grain. We feel certain that had the weather permitted a harvest this year, that the time and space given by the media of Alberta would have encouraged the farmers to complete the needed \$40,000 quota.

While we were not successful in reaching our objective, we do want you to know that we appreciate, greatly, your support and interest in the service we render crippled children in this province.

LT.-COL. D. H. TOMLINSON.

Commissioner,

Alberta Division, CRCS.

Calgary, Alta.

CRAVES ALBERTA FISHING

Dear Sir—We find your paper very interesting and keeps us up-to-date on what's going on up around Alberta way. We haven't forgotten our fishing trip to Lake Walman and often talk about the lovely meals of fish we caught in such a short time. But those Saskatchewan roads we broke down 250 miles from Edmonton.

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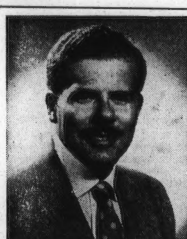
Ramping wells and eager people are signs of the times in booming Alberta, whose oil find is the most significant on the continent since Texas Spindletop roared in 50 years ago.

Hailing a "brilliant industrial future for the top half of the continent," a December Reader's Digest article, condensed from Time, notes that since 1947, when the first Alberta well came in, 45 new oilfields have been established across the province. Portable derricks have drilled more than two new wells a day. Over 300 million U.S. dollars, "one of the freest and fastest streams of American private capital ever sluiced into a foreign country," have been invested in Alberta oil.

The Digest article, "Alberta Strikes It Rich," is being published in international editions of the magazine throughout the world. Through it, editors point out, more than 50 million people in several dozen different countries will learn about Alberta's oil progress.

With "characteristic Canadian reserve," the article says, Alberta has suppressed most of the roistering atmosphere of a traditional oil boom. But evidence of a changing frontier is visible everywhere.

Edmonton's population has leaped from 113,000 to 160,000 since 1946. Full-fledged towns have mushroomed across the countryside. New schools, hospitals and highways, financed with government oil revenue, are



A VOICE well known to Alberta housewives is that of Howard Cable, who is heard in a mid-day radio program three times a week.

building up and down the province. Alberta has reduced taxes seven per cent. Its debt has been cut in half.

Great pools of natural gas have also been probed by the drills. Enthusiastic U.S. oil men envision the Alberta of the future as a northern Texas whose oil and gas pipelines will fan out over the top half of the continent. Already Alberta oil is flowing fast enough to fill a third of Canada's needs. "All this," the Digest article concludes, "has been accomplished in four years, with only the first big rush from the wells. For Alberta, the brimming best is yet to come."

Final Wheat Payment "Highest Can Expect"

Henry Young, president of the Farmers' Union of Alberta, said he approved of the \$1.85 1-2 per bushel for No. 1 Northern wheat, final payment announced by the Wheat Board. "It was the highest price we could expect to get under the present system," he said.

Mr. Young said western farmers subsidize the Canadian public to the amount of 20c on every bushel of wheat sold. He is not satisfied with the present method of selling wheat for domestic consumption.

Roy C. Marler, president of the Alberta Federation of Agriculture, said, "I think the payment is acceptable considering the terms of the international agreement."

He believed the price was "a little low" considering increased prices for other commodities, and increased costs to the farmer.

28 Towns To Have Automatic Phones

Twenty-eight Alberta towns will have their present telephone systems changed to automatic exchanges when Alberta Government Telephones begin their long-range improvement plan soon.

Mr. Alfred Higgins, general manager and deputy minister of telephones announced recently that, through the plan, the A.G.T. plans to "provide better service and modern equipment at a reasonable cost."

Mr. Higgins added that it may take 15 years to complete the entire plan, but the immediate attention will be focused on six centers, at a cost exceeding \$1,000,000.

Beyond Jasper Place and Naino, Mr. Higgins says the department is not prepared to release the names of other towns involved in the program.

University Farm Wins Royal Winter Fair Award

A shorthorn steer, entered in the Royal Winter Fair by the University of Alberta, won the award of grand champion steer recently.

The champion was exhibited at the fair by Fred Major, herdsman for the university. The title of the steer, which was the first summer yearling in the market division, is "Earl U.A."

Reserve champion of the show was "Quiet Lad," Aberdeen angus steer by W. F. McRae and Sons of Hayfield, Manitoba, and reserve champion Shorthorn was "Glenburn Quadron" owned by



From left to right: Joanne Copley; Priscilla Mewha, Home Economist; Marjory Banta. Miss Copley and Miss Banta represented Alberta in the garden club competition at the Royal Winter Fair. Both are from Crossfield, Alberta.

Crossfield Girls Attend Royal Fair At Toronto

Two Alberta girls, both from Crossfield, have received the highest marks for proficiency in garden club work in Alberta, and have won the right to attend the Royal Winter Fair in Toronto. They competed with entries from other points in Canada. The girls, Joanne Copley and Marjory Banta, earned their titles under the

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CROSSFIELD—Graceful white streamers and spire spruce boughs created a fitting background for a stately silver arch, bedecked with wedding bells and flanked with an arrangement of fall flowers in the Crossfield United Church in which Dena Deno, youngest daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Frank Averill of Leslieville exchanged wedding vows with Gordon Charles, only son of Mr. and Mrs. Chas. Fox, Crossfield with Rev. Ball officiating.

The bride who was given in marriage by her father wore a white gown of smooth model of imported all over lace, featuring long sleeves, full skirt and fitted bodice styled with Peter Pan collar, set with pearls and rhinestones. Lace bordered her finger tips with veil of silk net which was held in place by a pretty beaded tiara. She carried a very lovely colonial style bouquet of Hollywood roses set in white tulle with flowing pink streamers.

The bride was attended by her sister, Mrs. Audrey Starn, of Odessa, Wash., U.S.A., who chose a formal frock of salmon pink satin, featuring a sculptured satin bodice with folded front net trim and sweetheart neckline and bouffant net overskirt. She wore a ruffled net headpiece and carried a colonial styled bouquet of Ko-Ko-Mo tinted carnations, with yellow streamers.

The groom was attended by Elden Stafford of Crossfield.

The ushers were Bob Rowat and Jim Buddy both of Crossfield. Mrs. Wilda Charney played suitable wedding selections, featuring the Bridal Chorus from Lohengrin. During the signing of the register she played "Oh Perfect Love." She wore a pretty tulle gown and wore Eastern Star emblem pin, which had been previously presented to her by the couple.

The groom's gift to the bride was a beautiful case containing a matching ear ring and pendant set of rhinestones. The Masonic hall was chosen

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for the reception and was alive with pink and white streamers. The tables were attractively set with the brides table adorned with a tiered pedestal wedding-cake flanked with tall pink lighted tapers and crystal vases of dainty rose buds.

The bride's couple with attendants were assisted by their respective parents in receiving their guests. For this occasion Mrs. Averill chose a torse pre-arranged with broad and head trim and wore a corsage of pink carnations; Mrs. Fox was attired in afternoon dress of wine with matching accessories and wore a white corsage of carnations.

Mr. Bert Lilley acted as M.C. and fifty guests were welcomed and seated to enjoy the usual good things, which service was especially attended to by the Order of the Eastern Stars.

The bride's toast was given by Rev. Ball and was suitably answered by the groom. Mr. Frank Laht proposed the health of the groom's parents, giving a little outline of their work in the community for the past long years. Mr. Fox made a fitting reply.

Mr. Howard Starn, husband of the matron of honor, gave a resume of the life of the Averills in Leslieville. The bride couple then opened their gifts which were numerous and lovely after which the happy couple left in a cloud of confetti, but with the best wishes of all present.

For travelling, the bride donned a dark brown three piece pin stripe suit and top coat with turquoise accessories. They will spend a honeymoon in Great Falls, Spokane and other U.S. points and will reside in Crossfield district on their return.

Leask-Robertson Wed In Calgary

CROSSFIELD—A very pretty wedding was held at North Hill United Church, Calgary, Alta., Nov. 10, 1951, when Joyce Elaine, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Robertson of Dog Pound, Alta., became bride of Malcolm Leask, son of Mr. and Mrs. George Leask, Madden, Alta., at 2 o'clock with Rev. Rex Brown officiating.

Pink carnations and baby white mums decorated the altar. Given in marriage by her father, the bride entered the church to the strains of the wedding march. She was gowned in a model of white satin and chantilly lace with seed pearl trimming and wore a french lace veil held in place by opal pearl coronet; she carried American beauty roses, also wearing pearls, a gift from the groom.

Miss Corinne Williamson, cousin of the bride, was bridesmaid and

Home and School Meet In Hall

CROSSFIELD—Crossfield Home and School was held in the Community hall on Wednesday, Nov. 14 with president Wayne Heywood in the chair.

Following a welcome to the visitors present, including the senior high school students and members of the Carstairs H. and S., routine business was dealt with including a report from the committee which met the village council regarding the local skating rink given by Mr. Ellis Banta. This committee had been given every co-operation by the council, the one drawback being that no care taker is available to date.

Mrs. Frank Laht very ably explained the work covered by the Garden Club thus giving an excellent idea of the study necessarily done by Joanne Copple and Marjorie Banta to win second place for the province of Alberta at the Royal Winter Fair at Toronto.

It was interesting to note that a larger percentage of the parents of the pupils in the high school room are in attendance at H. and S. meetings as Principal Laht's report received the monthly prize.

Where are the parents of pupils in grades four and five on H. and S. night?

The members of the FUA and their guests, meeting in the basement, were invited to hear the guest speakers of the evening.

Mr. Hector McDonald, a past president of H. and S., introduced

wore heaven blue corded silk with blue veil and headpiece and gloves together with necklace and earrings, gift of the groom. She carried pink carnations.

Donald Leask acted as groomsmen.

Harry Robertson and Nelson Williamson were ushers.

During the signing of the register the choir sang "Because."

The reception was held at the Harris Sky Room for sixty-five guests. The table centred with three tiered wedding cake in white silver and pink, adorned with pink carnations and white baby mums.

Mr. Van Haften officiated as M.C. and proposed a toast to the bride which brought a suitable response from the groom.

The happy couple left for a short honeymoon midwest showers of confetti and good wishes.

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Mr. Wm. Osborne, president of the Calgary branch of the United Nations, who in a very interesting manner and with the aid of a chart, named the various groups which compose the United Nations. For the first time the United Nations flag was unfurled in the hall and a very beautiful flag it is—azure blue with a map of the world encircled by olive leaves outlined in white in the centre.

In turn Mr. Osborne introduced Miss Kay Herman, who spoke for a few minutes on her impressions of the tragedy of the Displaced Persons camps she had visited in Europe this past summer.

Mr. Osborne then introduced the main speaker of the evening, Mr. J. R. McFall, secretary of Farm Youth Organization, who spoke on the United Nations Food and Agricultural Organization. The history of FYO was carefully traced by Mr. McFall from its inception to the present. He also explained the needs of the organization for the future.

Following a vote of thanks expressed by Mr. Mumby the meeting of 180 persons adjourned to enjoy lunch provided jointly by the FUA and the Home and School.

Miss Catherine Marles, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. G. W. Marles of Calgary, formerly of Madden, who recently graduated as a registered nurse from the Calgary General hospital, has accepted a position on the staff of the hospital at Cut Bank, Mont.

Mr. and Mrs. J. S. Branch of La Crosse, Wash., are visiting friends and relatives in the district.

With The Bridge Fans

CROSSFIELD—Mrs. Hank McDonald was hostess at the afternoon Bridge Club. The high scores this afternoon went to Mrs. Jean Stevens and Mrs. Ed Fraser. A very nice lunch and enjoyable afternoon was spent.

The Stork Bridge Club met at the home of Mrs. Adeine Stewart on Tuesday evening. A very pleasant evening was spent with the scores going to Mrs. Margaret Mason and Mrs. Gladys McDonald.

Shower Honors Bride-Elect

CROSSFIELD—The United Church Parlor was prettily hung with mauve and white streamers and white wedding bells converged over the honored chair of Dean Averill, who was fêted at an open miscellaneous shower on Monday, Nov. 19.

Miss Margaret Rowat and Mrs. Mervin Fox assisted in the opening of the many useful and beautiful gifts which were presented in a decorated basket, drawn in countless times by two little children, Dianne Laut and Larry Fox.

Dean thanked everyone for attending and for the pleasant evening. Mrs. C. Fox, mother of the groom and Mrs. F. Ruddy, aunt, both of Crossfield shared the honors at the tea urns at a very attractive table centered with a bowl of Mauve Spray Mums. A very tasty lunch was served by the conveners and co-workers and the evening was an enjoyable one.

A group of songsters presented a parody on the song "Enjoy Yourself" which offered lots of timely advice on cooking, mending and even farm chores. The hostesses for the occasion were Mesdames W. Aldred, Robinson, Ruddy, Lilley, J. Aldred and W. Landry.

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